

SOME OF THESE DAYS JACK M'INNIS WILL PULL A BONE AND HIT ONE OUT INTO RIGHT

STUFFY M'INNIS "HITS 'EM WHERE THEY ARE," BUT STICKS AROUND 300 CLASS IN BATTING FOR 8 YEARS

First Baseman of the A's Has Three More Days to Pull His 1917 Average Over the Coveted Figure. Comiskey to Prosecute Ticket Scalpers

IN THESE chill autumn days, while baseball experts are dishing the world series and big-league clubs are slowing up after the strenuous grind, an individual battle for batting supremacy is being staged every afternoon which is intensely interesting to the one person concerned. Stuffy McInnis is the hero of this skit, and at present he is playing the leading role and all of the other parts in the sensational drama entitled, "To Bat or Not to Bat 300?"

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McInnis Has to "Hit 'Em Where They Are"

THE system in making base hits is to "hit 'em where they ain't," as Willie Keeler used to say, but in the case of Stuffy McInnis it is the exact opposite. The first-sacker has just as much chance to deceive the enemy when he steps up to the plate as a burglar who carries a brass band around with him.

But that's the kind of a gang McInnis has to face every time he steps up to the plate. They stack the cards against him and then play with a marked deck. Stuffy has done that old trick nine times out of ten, which means that he is used to hitting 'em where they are.

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THERE will be no ticket scalping in Chicago when the world series pastebards are placed on sale. Charley Comiskey says so and has gone so far as to call in the State's Attorney to back him up.

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THE DAYS OF REAL SPORT



M'GRAW SOLE STRATEGIST OF GIANTS, WHILE ROWLAND, COLLINS AND GLEASON WILL LOOK AFTER CHICAGO

New York Manager, However, Has Won but One World Series in Four Attempts, While Chicago Experts Have Had Plenty of Experience

IN THE way of tactics and strategy the general staffs of the two ball clubs are about as different as black and light pink. The Giants' general staff, including all elements, orderlies, clerks, etc., is John J. McGraw.

McGraw is the sole director of his machine. The White Sox board of strategy consists of three men—Manager Rowland, Kid Gleason and Eddie Collins.

Rowland hasn't had McGraw's world series experience. But Eddie Collins has. And Gleason knows as much baseball as any living man.

Something Different

It must be admitted, however, that this 1917 series is something different, because the pitching problems are far harder.

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NEW CONTROL OF PENN ATHLETICS

Six Graduates to Compose Council as Court of Final Appeal on Sports

McCLELLAN IS CHAIRMAN

Provost Edgar F. Smith has announced the composition of the new "University Council on Athletics" at the University of Pennsylvania.

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POPULARITY OF FOOTBALL PROVED

WHEN CROWD OF 4000 WITNESSES GAME BETWEEN PITT AND U. OF W. VA.

Spectators Travel on Scheduleless Trains From All Points to Attend Opening Battle in Morgantown, W. Va.—Pitt Not So Strong as Last Year

THERE is no need of any particular worry about the popularity of football this season, nor should the rabid gridiron fan lose any sleep over the prospect of the well-known sport hitting the skids and slipping into the discard.

There also is a weakness in the punting department. Sies, the big guard, booted the ball well, but outside of that he virtually was useless.

Stahl, by the way, had his hands full with Bailey, the West Virginia center and captain. Bailey played a wonderful game and showed up his rival in many respects.

McLaren's line punting was the feature of the afternoon, and there is no doubt but that the Pitt fullback will be one of the stars of the East this year.

Earned One Touchdown

Pitt earned the only touchdown Saturday when McLaren pushed the ball over in the second period.

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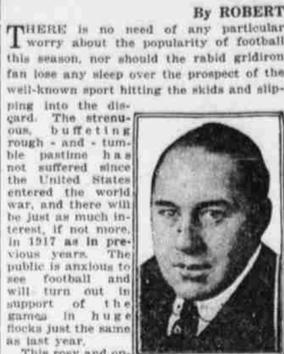
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